

ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting of Tuesday, 02 February 2010
Mansfield Community Center (MCC) Conference Room

MINUTES

1. The meeting was **called to order** at 7:00p by Chair Kim Bova. *Members present:* Kim Bova, Tom Bruhn, Scott Lehmann, Blanche Serban. *Members absent:* Jay Ames. *Others present:* Ashleigh Kay, Jay O'Keefe (staff).

2. Ashleigh Kay showed the Committee digital photos of mixed media works she wants to display at the Mansfield Library in March. The Committee approved the exhibit. Ms. Kay reported that about 40 people attended the artist's reception for her current show at the MCC; she did most of the publicity for this event herself. She suggested publicizing current exhibits at the MCC in the Parks and Recreation Department's quarterly publication. Jay O'K thought we could probably do this at no charge, since it would advertise a town function. However, we would need to prepare the notice well in advance; the Spring 2010 edition, for example, is now in press.

3. The **minutes** of the 10 November 2009 and 05 January 2010 meetings were approved as written.

4. Arts Brochure. Tom asked a graphic designer at the Benton to design a new "Opportunities for Mansfield Artists" brochure, using the text for the old one, of which no more copies can be found. He brought handsome samples of two different layouts, in black and 2 shades of blue: the Committee preferred the vertical bi-fold design (open size about 7"w x 8.5"h). It will be slightly re-designed to permit addressing and mailing. Tom will give Jay O'K a CD with the file for printing, which would probably be done at the UConn Print Shop.

5. MCC Art Exhibits.

- a.** Blanche reported that the art teacher at Goodwin and Southeast has agreed to supply up to 20 pieces of student art from each school for the **Mansfield elementary school art show**, 15 April to 31 May. She will contact Jay A. to remind him about arranging for a similar contribution from Vinton. The Committee agreed that the task of approving works could safely be left to the teachers, who may want to see the exhibit space before making their selections. It would be nice to kick off this show with a reception, which should be planned at the March meeting.
- b.** Tom will contact **John Bell** about exhibiting Javanese puppets from the Ballard Institute in the display cases from 01 June to 15 August.
- c.** **Nancy Bergeron**, who exhibited at the MCC several years ago, has applied to show paintings of New England landscapes in various seasons. After viewing photos included in her application, the Committee approved her exhibit. She could have the hallways and/or sitting room space after the elementary school art comes down, for the 01 June – 15 August period. Blanche will contact her.
- d.** DCF would like to exhibit **photos of children in need of adoption** in the period around Christmas 2011. The Committee thought such an exhibit could go in the hallways from 15 November – 15 January, leaving the 15 September – 15 November period open for a different exhibit. Jay O'K will see if this is OK with DCF.

Exhibit Period	Entry cases		Sitting room		Hallway	
	Double-sided	Shelves	Upper (5)	Lower (3)	Long (5)	Short (2)
15 Jan – 14 Apr	Patty Vinsonhaler (ceramics)		Ashleigh Kay (collage painting & drawing)			
15 Apr – 31 May	Mansfield elementary schools					
1 Jun – 14 Aug	Ballard Institute? (puppets)			Nancy Bergeron? (paintings)		
15 Aug – 1 Sep	Festival on the Green (advertising, art show winners)		MCC cleaning & painting 8/22-8/28			
1 Sep – 14 Oct						
15 Oct – 14 Nov						
15 Nov – 14 Jan				DCF ? (photos)		

6. Adjourned at 7:57p. Next meeting: 7:00p, Tuesday, 05 March 2010.

Scott Lehmann, Secretary, 03 February 2010; approved 01 June 2010